UNION OF BLACK EPISCOPALIANS

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Preparing The Way For Such A Time As This:
Many People, One Lord!!

Opening Holy Eucharist

Monday, July 22, 2019
7:00p.m.

St John’s Cathedral
514 West Adams Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90007
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WELCOME to the Union of Black Episcopalians Opening Holy Eucharist. We are delighted that you are here. Please join in the worship by following the liturgy in this bulletin. We also invite you to use the time before worship to pray and invite the presence of the Holy Spirit to keep you centered and focused on what God may be saying to you. After worship, we invite you to pray for God’s strength to help you face and meet the demands of the world from this moment and in the days to come.

During Communion, all who seek God and a deeper relationship with Christ are welcome to receive the bread and wine. To receive communion, come to the altar at the direction of the usher. Open the palm of your hand to receive the bread. Eat the bread and then drink from the cup when it is offered to you. You may also hold the bread and one of the ministers will dip the bread into the wine and give it to you.

For Blessings, if you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, you may come to the altar and place your arms across your chest to receive a blessing.

For Prayers for healing, please inform the clergy or go to the altar following the service.

The sign of the Cross is an expression of Christ’s presence in a moment and place. It also reminds us about loving God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength. Making the sign of the cross is solely a matter of personal spiritual preference; one is not a better Christian for choosing or not choosing to use it. The sign of the cross is made with the right hand by touching the forehead, chest, left then right shoulders.

This liturgy draws from the rich cultural diversity of our African diaspora with prayers, songs, music and dance from all over the African diaspora.

Worship Leaders

Celebrant
The Right Reverend Chet Talton
ConCelebrants
The Right Reverend Carlye Hughes
The Right Reverend John H. Taylor
The Right Reverend Diane Jardine Bruce

Preacher
The Right Reverend Phoebe Roaf
Co-Deans of the Cathedral
The Very Rev. Mark Kowalewski
The Very Reverend Daniel Ade

Deacon of the Table
The Rev. Dcn. Margaret McCauley
Deacon of the Word
The Rev. Dcn. Walter Johnson

Choir Director
Canon Dr. Chas Cheatham
Co-Chaplains
The Rev. Hershey Mallette-Stephens
The Rev. Dcn Guy A. Leemhuis
Our Thanks

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UBE is especially grateful for the ministries of:

The Rght.. Rev. Diane Jardine Bruce, Bishop Suffragan, Diocese of Los Angeles
The Very Rev. Mark Kowalewski and The Very Rev. Daniel Ade, Co-Deans St. John’s Cathedral
The Rev. Deacon Fernando Valdes, St. John’s Cathedral
The Rev. Deacon Margaret McCauley, ret.
Director, Canon Dr. Chas Cheatham, The Episcopal Chorale
The Rght. Rev. Phoebe Roaf, preacher, Bishop Diocesan, Diocese of West Tennessee
The Rght. Rev. Carlye Hughes, Concelebrant, Bishop Diocesan, Diocese of Newark
Canon Annette Buchanan, President, Union of Black Episcopalians
The Rght. Rev. Carl Wright IV, Bishop for Armed Forces and Federal Ministries
and The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, Presiding Bishop and Primate of The Episcopal Church

for their prayers and support.

About the Union of Black Episcopalians

"Set us free, O God, from every bond of prejudice and fear...that we may show forth in our lives the reconciling love and true freedom of God..."

The Union of Black Episcopalians stands in the continuing tradition of more than 200 years of Black leadership in the Episcopal Church. Beginning with the establishment of St. Thomas Episcopal Church by Absalom Jones in 1794 in the city of Philadelphia, through the election of Barbara Harris as Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts, and the election of Michael Curry as the 27th Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, there has always been a strong corps of Black Christians in the Episcopal Church: people like James Holly, Henry Delaney, John Walker, Tolle Caution, Charles Lawrence, Deborah Harmon Hines, and countless others.

Organized in 1968 as the Union of Black Clergy and Laity, the Union is the proud inheritor of the work of these people and earlier organizations, the Convocation of Colored Clergy and the Conference of Church Workers Among Colored People, all dedicated to the ministry of Blacks in the Episcopal Church. The name was changed to the Union of Black Episcopalians in 1971.

The Union of Black Episcopalians is a confederation of more than 55 chapters and interest groups throughout the continental United States and the Caribbean. The Union also has members in Canada, Africa, Great Britain, and Latin America.
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The Liturgy of the Presence

Diasporan Journey in Music, Song and Dance

Choral Prelude

Especially Do I Believe in the Negro Race by Margaret Bonds and W.E.B. Dubois

The Episcopal Chorale under the direction of Canon Dr. Chas Cheatham

Dance Prelude

The Africa in America Ensemble

Organ Prelude

Jesu Jesu

Processional Hymns:

Tembea Tembea Baba, Tembea tukuone
(Tanzanian Song led by The Rev. Lester Mackenzie)

Wade in the Water

Chorus
Wade in the water
Wade in the water, children,
Wade in the water
God's gonna trouble the water

See that host all dressed in white
God's gonna trouble the water
The leader looks like the Israelite
God's gonna trouble the water

Chorus

See that band all dressed in red
God's gonna trouble the water
Looks like the band that Moses led
God's gonna trouble the water

Chorus

3
Look over yonder, what do you see?
God's gonna trouble the water
The Holy Ghost a-coming on me
God's gonna trouble the water

Chorus

If you don't believe I've been redeemed
God's gonna trouble the water
Just follow me down to the Jordan's stream
God's gonna trouble the water

Chorus

Some say Peter and some say Paul
God's gonna trouble the water
But there ain't but one God who loves us all
God's gonna trouble the water

Chorus

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer
All: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name: through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Song of Praise: Come Thou Almighty King

Come Thou Almighty King,
help us Thy name to sing.
Come Thou Almighty King,
help us Thy name to sing.  (Repeat)

Chorus:
We've come to praise,
we've come to praise,
we've come to praise Thy name.
Bridge:
Father all glorious,
Lord over victorious;
come and reign over us,
come and reign over us

Father all glorious,
Lord over victorious;
come and reign over us,
come and reign over us

Chorus

Vamp: Thy name, Thy name, Thy Name, Thy Name

Arranged by Rev. Timothy from the original Come Thou Almighty King (1797)
anonymous but attributed to Charles Wesley

The Liturgy of the Word

Collects of the day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Celebrant: Almighty God, who has created us in your own image: Grant us grace fearlessly to contend against evil and to make no peace with oppression; and, that we may reverently use our freedom, help us to employ it in the maintenance of justice in our communities and among the nations, to the glory of your holy Name: through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Collect for the Commemoration of the African Diaspora

Celebrant: God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, you who have brought us thus far on the way with Christ, the one in whom is our true and perfect freedom. Give us grace to honor the lives of your precious children, enslaved in body yet free in mind. May we forever stand on the shoulders of those who have gone before and make no peace with oppression, that children of slaves and former slave owners may one day live in harmony; through Jesus Christ our liberator, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God for ever and ever. Amen.

Lo, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s People.

All: Thanks Be to God

Psalm of Praise: CHA KUTUMAINI SINA (Swahili)
(My Hope is Built on Nothing Less) sung by The Rev. John Limo and Kenyan delegation.
The Epistle (Swahili) Romans 9:1-5

Kuteuliwa Kwa Israeli Na Mungu
9 Ninasema kweli katika Kristo, wala sisemi uongo, dhamiri yangu inanishuhudia katika Roho Mtakatifu. 2 Nina huzuni kuu na uchungu usiokoma moyoni mwangu. 3 Kwa maana ningetamani hata mimi nilaaniwe na kutengwa na Kristo kwa ajili ya ndugu zangu hasa, wale walia na kabila langa kwa jinsi ya mwili, 4 yaani, watu wa Israeli, ambao ndio wenye kule kufanywa wana, ule utukufu wa Mungu, yale maagano, kule kupokea sheria, ibada ya kwenye Hekalu na zile ahadi. 5 Wao ni wa uzao wa mababa wakuwa wa kwanza, ambao kutoka kwao Kristo alikuja kwa jinsi ya mwili ya mwili kama mwanadamu, yeye ambaye ni Mungu aliye juu ya vyote, mwenye kuhimidiwa milele! Amen.

Lector:  
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s People.

All:  
Thanks Be to God

Sequence Hymn:  
Hallelujah We Sing Your Praises

Hallelujah! We sing your praises!
All our hearts are filled with gladness!
Hallelujah! We sing your praises!
All our hearts are filled with gladness!

Christ the Lord to us said:
"I am wine, I am bread;
I am wine I am bread,
Give to all who thirst and hunger!

Hallelujah! We sing your praises!
All our hearts are filled with gladness!
Hallelujah! We sing your praises!
All our hearts are filled with gladness!

Jesus says to us still:
All who do the Lord’s will,
All who do the Lord’s will
Are my sisters and my brothers.
Hallelujah! Pe-lo tsa ro-na, di tha-bi-le ka-o-fe-la.
Hallelujah! Pe-lo tsa ro-na, di tha-bi-le ka-o-fe-la.

Gospel Proclamation

Deacon: The Lord be with you
All: And also with you
Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Saint Matthew
All: Glory to you Lord Christ

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.” And he said, “Bring them here to me.” Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Deacon: This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
All: Praise to you Lord Christ

Sermon

The Right Reverend Phoebe Roaf
Bishop Diocesan of West Tennessee

Choral Response to the Sermon: Let The Church Say Amen

Let The Church Say Amen
Let The Church Say Amen
God has Spoken, so Let the Church say Amen
Nicene Creed Sung: Yes I Believe (African Credo)

Choral parts:
Low Voices    Do you believe? Do you believe? Do you believe? Do you believe?
High Voices    Oh Yes, I believe, In the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit Yes I believe.

Mighty Father, I believe, do you believe?                                Yes, I believe
He created Heaven and Earth, do you believe?                              Yes, I believe
I believe in Jesus Christ, do you believe?                               Yes, I believe
Everlasting Son of God, do you believe?                                 Yes, I believe

Chorus

Equal in the Father's Powers, do you believe?                                  Yes, I believe
And through Him all things were made, do you believe?                      Yes, I believe
He it was who saved us all, do you believe?                                  Yes, I believe
From Heaven He came to earth, do you believe?                                Yes, I believe

Chorus

Of the Virgin Mary born, do you believe?                                     Yes, I believe
By the Spirit was made flesh, do you believe?                                Yes, I believe
Crucified and suffered death, do you believe?                               Yes, I believe
And He rose up from the dead, do you believe?                               Yes, I believe

Chorus

He ascended into heaven, do you believe?                                     Yes, I believe
And His Kingdom has no end, do you believe?                                 Yes, I believe
In the Spirit I believe, do you believe?                                    Yes, I believe
Lord and Giver of life, do you believe?                                     Yes, I believe

Chorus

With the Father and the Son, do you believe?                                 Yes I believe
He is adored and glorified, do you believe?                                 Yes I believe
I believe in the Holy Church, do you believe?                                Yes I believe
One Baptism we profess, do you believe?                                     Yes, I believe

Chorus

I shall see Him in heaven, do you believe?                                   Yes I believe
Even in the world to come, do you believe?                                  Yes I believe
Amen, Amen, A-men, A—men...                                                (Credo, Hymn from Nigeria)
Prayers of the People *(please stand)*

*The response to the prayers is sung by the choir and congregation together the refrain of “Oh Freedom”*

**Celebrant:** Dear Friends in Christ: as we commemorate the 400th Anniversary of the arrival of 20 enslaved Africans in the English colony of Virginia in 1619, the church invites us to give thanks for the resilience and cultural contribution of people of the African diaspora. While slavery has had a universal impact, there has always been the presence of the drum, a symbol of global communications and healing. On this day let the drumming of our hearts beat with renewed purpose as we become co-breakers of the inheritance of slavery and co-workers in the perpetual struggle for equality, justice, and peace. In Christ we find our inspiration and aspiration for bringing the harmonious reign of God. Therefore, let us offer our prayers to our Loving, Liberating and Life-giving God.

*Oh Freedom, Oh Freedom, Oh Freedom over me*  
*And before I’d be a slave, I’d be buried in my grave*  
*And go home to my Lord and be free*

**Lector** Repairing God, help us to lift every voice and sing, ‘til earth and heaven ring, ring with the harmonies of Liberty for all your children, that our divisions may cease and we may be one. We pray for the Church.

*No more weepin, no more weepin, No more weepin over me*  
*And before I’d be a slave, I’d be buried in my grave*  
*And go home to my Lord and be free*

**Lector** Reconciling God, we have come over a way that with tears has been watered, we have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered, give us grace to see in each other the face of Christ. We pray for the nation and the world.

*Oh Freedom, Oh Freedom, Oh Freedom over me*  
*And before I’d be a slave, I’d be buried in my grave*  
*And go home to my Lord and be free*
Lector  Resilient God, keep us forever in your path, we pray, lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met you in gift of friend and stranger, in the crucible of fortitude and struggle, that we never forget the ancestors who have brought us thus far by faith. We pray for those who have died.

No more weepin, no more weepin, No more weepin over me  
And before I'd be a slave, I'd be buried in my grave  
And go home to my Lord and be free

Lector  Restoring God, yet with a steady beat, our weary feet have come to the places for which our parents sighed, inspire us with the energy to run with perseverance the race that is set before us, keeping our eyes fixed on you. We pray for those who are sick.

Oh Freedom, Oh Freedom, Oh Freedom over me  
And before I'd be a slave, I'd be buried in my grave  
And go home to my Lord and be free

Lector  Rejoicing God, who by your might has led us into the light, give us courage for the living of these days, that we may reflect Christ our one true light, and rejoice with those who have entered your perfect freedom. We pray for those who are in need.

No more weepin, no more weepin, No more weepin over me  
And before I'd be a slave, I'd be buried in my grave  
And go home to my Lord and be free

Lector  Remembering God, lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget you, stir in us a passion to hold the stories of those who have come before, that we may tell it to our children and our children’s children.

Oh Freedom, Oh Freedom, Oh Freedom over me  
And before I'd be a slave, I'd be buried in my grave  
And go home to my Lord and be free

Celebrant: God of Hope, stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod, born in the day that hope unborn had died, revive in us your people that sense of hope that never fails so that we can make new this old world in the name of Jesus our brother. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you  
All: And also with you
Welcome and Greetings

The Rght. Rev. John H. Taylor
Bishop Diocesan, Diocese of Los Angeles

Canon Annette Buchanan
UBE President

Offertory African Processional: Dis Kind God O

Cantor: Dis Kind God O, I neva see your kind O, Dis Kind God O, Blessed be your holy name

Refrain 1 (Repeat as many times as the leader directs)
Dis Kind God O (Dis Kind God O), I neva see your kind O (I neva see your kind O)
Dis Kind God O (Dis Kind O), Blessed be your holy name

Refrain 2 (Repeat as many times as the leader directs)
My God is a good God, Yes God Is, My God is a good God, Yes God Is
God Lift Me Up (God Lift Me Up), God Lift Me Up (God Lift Me Up)
God Turns Me Around (God Turns me Around), God Turns Me Around (God Turns Me Around)
God Sets My Feet (God Sets my feet), Jesus Sets My Feet (God Sets My Feet)
Upon the Solid Rock (Upon the Solid Rock), Upon the Solid Rock (Upon the Solid Rock)
I feel like dancing 2x; I feel like shouting 2x; I feel like jumping 2x I feel like praying 2x

Refrain 3 (Repeat as many times as the leader directs)
Ayyyyy Ayyy My God is Good O
God gives me Peace O (God Gives Me Peace O) 2x,
God Gives Me Joy O (God gives Me Joy O) 2x

Refrain 4 (Repeat as many times as the leader directs)
I enter God’s gets with singing halleluia (I enter God’s gets with singing halleluia)

Refrain 5 (Repeat as many times as the leader directs)
You are worthy, worthy of my praise, you are the most high, You are worthy
(You are worthy, worthy of my praise, you are the most high, You are worthy)
Refrain 6 (Repeat as many times as the leader directs)
Higher, Higher, Every Day, I lift My Jesus Higher Every day
(Higher, Higher, Every Day, I lift My Jesus Higher Every day)

You are so Good

You are so good
You are so good
My Lord Jesus I worship You.
You are so good (2x)

Eres tan bueno
Eres tan bueno
Mi Señor O Jesucristo
Eres tan bueno (2X)

Lift him up higher
Lift him up higher
My Lord is good
I will lift him up higher
Everywhere I go
I will lift him up higher

Levántenlo alto
Levántenlo alto
Mi Señor es bueno
Lo levantaré más alto
Donde vaya yo
Lo levantaré más alto

Bulie ya elu.
Bulie ya elu.
Jehová kachasi madunile elu.
Onye kere uwa
Kachasi madunile elu.

Glory be to God in the highest, Alleluia.
Glory be to God in the highest, Alleluia.
Everybody sing Alleluia, Alleluia.
Shout Alleluia, Alleluia.
For his blessings, Alleluia.
For UBE, Alleluia.
The Liturgy of the Table

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus: Misa Del Son

Santo Santo Santo Santo es el Señor
Dios del Universo Heaven and Earth are full of your glory
Hosanna en el cielo Hosanna en el cielo
Bendito el que viene en el nombre del Señor
Hosanna in the Highest, Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna in the highest

Music and Text by Mateo Amper and Rev. Guy Leemhuis

Celebrant continues
Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a Son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself, yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then the time came for him to complete upon the Cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.
On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at the table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying; "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, He gave it to them, and said: “Drink this all of you: This is the Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.

**Memorial Acclamation**  Misa del Son (Sung)

*Celebrant continues:* Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ is died**
**Christ is risen**
**Christ will come again**

**Cristo ha muerto**
**Cristo ha resucitado**
**Cristo volvera**

*Celebrant:* Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with Mary the Godbearer, and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise for ever and ever.

**People**  Amen.

**Celebrant**  Gathering our prayers and praise into one let us offer the prayer Christ himself taught us.

**Lord's Prayer: Vincentian Mass**

*(Sung)*

Hallowed Hallowed Be Thy Name O Lord Lift Me Up (2x)
Lord Lift Me Up, Lord Lift Me Up
Hallowed Hallowed Be Thy Name O Lord Lift Me Up

*(Spoken)*

Our Father who art in heaven hallowed be thy name
Thy kingdom come thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven
Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever, Amen.

(Sung)
Hallowed Hallowed Be Thy Name O Lord Lift Me Up (2x)
Lord Lift Me Up, Lord Lift Me Up
Hallowed Hallowed Be Thy Name O Lord Lift Me Up

Music and Text by Brian Samuel

Fraction Anthem

Celebrant: God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.
People: Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

Celebrant: These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Communion Anthem

by Guy Leemhuis and Matt Amper

There are No Outsiders
Total Praise by Richard Smallwood
The Episcopal Chorale under the direction of Dr. Canon Charles Chas Cheatham

Communion Hymns

“Let us break bread together”

1. Let us break bread together on our knees. Let us break bread together on our knees. When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

2. Let us drink wine together on our knees. Let us drink wine together on our knees. When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

3. Let us praise God together on our knees. Let us praise God together on our knees. When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

“One Bread, One Body”

Refrain One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. Refrain One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.
2. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. Refrain One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

3. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one, for all. Refrain One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

“In Christ There Is No East or West” (McKee)

1. In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

2. In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find; his service is the golden cord close-binding humankind.

3. Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be. All children of the living God are surely kin to me.

4. In Christ now meet both east and west; in him meet south and north. All Christly souls are one in him throughout the whole wide earth.

Ablutions Hymn    Lift Every Voice and Sing    by James Weldon Johnson

Lift every voice and sing till earth and heaven ring, ring with the harmonies of liberty. Let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies; let it resound loud as the rolling sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us; sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us. Facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us march on, till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod, felt in the days when hope unborn had died. Yet, with a steady beat, have not our weary feet come to the place for which our parents sighed? We have come over a way that with tears has been watered; we have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered, out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might led us into the light, keep us forever in the path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee; lest our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee; shadowed beneath thy hand may we forever stand, true to our God, true to our native land.
Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: The Lord be with you
All: And also with you

All: Eternal God, heavenly Creator you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ’s Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Blessing

The celebrant blesses the people with these or similar words

May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may God work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The deacon dismisses the people with these or similar words

Dismissal Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ, Alleluia, Alleluia

All: Thanks Be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia

Recessional Hymn: We Are Marching in the Light of God

We are marching in the light of God, We are marching in the light of God. (2x)
We are marching, We are marching, Oh , We are marching in the light of God.

We are living in the love of God, We are living in the love of God, (2x)
We are living, living, We are living, living, Oh, We are living in the love of God,

We are moving in the power of God, We are moving in the power of God. (2x)
We are moving, moving, We are moving, moving, Oh, We are moving in the power of God.

Siyahamb’ ekukhanyen’ kwenkhos’, Siyahamb’ ekukhanyen’ kwenkhos’. (2x)
Siyahamba, hamba, siyahamba, hamba, Oh, Siyahamb’ ekukhanyen’ kwenkhos’.
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